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Re:

Block Island Power Company

Docket No. 4690

Dear Luly:

Enclosed for filing in this matter are an original and nine copies of Block Island Power Company's Responses to the Commission's 1st set of data requests.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call.

Very truly yours,

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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: BLOCK ISLAND POWER COMPANY'S STANDARD OFFER AND TRANSMISSION RATES EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2018

Docket No. 4690

BLOCK ISLAND POWER COMPANY'S RESPONSES TO THE COMMISSION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES' FIRST SET OF DATA REQUESTS DIRECTED TO BLOCK ISLAND POWER COMPANY

Issued March 15, 2018

- 1. Referring to Commission Docket 4805 2018 National Grid Retail Rate Filing, National Grid Response to PUC 1-2:
 - a. Is BIPCO aware of the required work to the transmission cable discussed in the response?
 - b. Will the cable remain in service while the work on the cable is performed?
 - c. In the event the cable must be taken out of service for the work to be performed, how will BIPCO ensure continuation of service?
 - d. In the event the cable must be taken out of service for the work to be performed, what are the anticipated costs of replacement power?
 - e. In the event the cable must be taken out of service for the work to be performed, what mechanism will BIPCO employ to recover the costs of replacement power?
 - f. Please provide copies of any correspondence BIPCO may have regarding this issue.

RESPONSE:

- a) Yes.
- b) No.
- c) BIPCo will be providing service by the operation of its stand by engines.
- d) We cannot at this time predict what the total cost will be. The cost will be dependent on how long it takes Grid to complete the work.
- e) BIPCo has retained its fuel surcharge tariff to address this type of issue. Costs for fuel and urea used in generation would be recovered in the fuel surcharge. The fuel surcharge would be submitted to the Division for approval prior to the billing. As an alternative, BIPCo could also request the fuel and urea costs be recovered in the Standard offer rate and be used in the following reconciliation. However, it appears that BIPCo and its ratepayers will not have to utilize either one of these alternatives since Grid has informed BIPCo that they will cover the cost of the fuel and urea used during this outage period.
- f) BIPCo does not have any printed correspondence since formal notification was given to the Town. BIPCo has however had several phone conversations regarding this matter with Grid.

Prepared by David Bebyn CPA & Jeffery Wright